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THEY MUST BE DECENT

No Immoral Women Will Be Allowed to Hold Positions

AS ENROLLING CLERKS THIS WINTER

As has been the custom at every session of the legislature for many years—the law on the subject of Enrolling Clerks.

Governor elect Morrill proposes that during his administration there shall be some actual reforming and in enforcing the laws the chief executive proposes to do his duty.

Every session of the legislature in the history of the state has had its share of scandal on account of the way enrolling and committee clerks of both the senate and house have been appointed and paid.

Governor Morrill proposes to say something on this subject in his first message to the legislature.

In looking over the session laws of 1893 for something that needed his attention Governor Morrill found three full pages of names of enrolling clerks who were paid for their services during the last session of the legislature.

None of these clerks were paid \$25 for their services but most of them received \$150 from the state. In speaking of this matter to a *State Journal* reporter, Governor Morrill said: "This is a subject which needs attention. Here is a great waste of money. The enrolling and enrolling of bills should be done according to the statutes under the direction of the chief enrolling clerk and the secretary of state."

"The law further provides that the enrolling of bills shall be paid for at the rate of 12½ cents per folio, but it has become a custom for all the members of the legislature to find places for their pets as enrolling clerks, and the state pays the bills. This ought not to be."

Governor Morrill is right about this matter. The way certain members of the house conducted themselves towards certain assistant enrolling and committee clerks during the last session of the legislature was scandalous, and if Governor Morrill can do anything to bring about a reform in this matter he will accomplish something which all respectable people will commend.

Some of the women who have heretofore been employed as assistant enrolling clerks and put on the payrolls of the state, have not only been incompetent, but they have been notorious as women of bad character, yet some members of the legislature came up from their country homes to the state capital and parade themselves with these women with a boldness which is unaccountable.

The self-respecting members of the legislature should stand by Governor Morrill in his effort to inaugurate a reform along this line and there should no one be placed on the pay rolls of the house or senate during the coming session, who does not earn his or her compensation, and the scandal breeders should be left out in the cold.

THE INAUGURAL BALL.

Committees Are Now Named and Arrangements Will Be Made.

At the meeting at the Copeland last evening, to arrange for an inaugural ball and reception, Major T. J. Anderson was made chairman of the meeting, and W. H. Ward secretary.

The following executive committee was named to have charge of the event: T. J. Anderson, P. G. Noel, S. B. Bradford, Charles S. Gault, A. M. Fuller, J. K. Hudson, S. M. Cardenhouse, Arthur Capper.

On finance—P. G. Noel, P. L. Bonabake, C. J. Gory, R. M. Gage, C. A. B. W. P. Hughes.

On music—M. C. Holman, J. B. Marshall, W. H. Leith, H. L. Shiner, George W. Jackson.

On printing—Geo. W. Crane, Charles O'Donald, C. B. Hamilton, J. L. King, W. P. Tomlinson.

On decoration—Thos. Doran, W. E. Brubaker, C. H. Titus, W. H. Hornaday, Major A. P. Shreve, R. A. Randlett, R. B. McMasters, J. A. Troutman, J. B. Chapman and Arthur Capper.

On inaugural ball—J. L. King, A. B. Quinton, C. S. Elliott, W. J. Black, Robert Pierce, C. J. Brown, Chas. B. Smith, A. R. Lingafelt, Paul Hudson, J. P. Rowley, D. W. Mulvane, Eugene Hagan,

Archie Williams, C. J. Prescott, J. W. F. Hughes, Aaron P. Jettmore, P. P. Edson, J. P. Jacell.

It was also decided to have a reception committee of 100, but the members have not yet been named.

The following C. A. R. committee was appointed: T. J. Anderson, president; W. W. Denison, secretary; John Guthrie, J. C. Caldwell, D. N. Wyatt, Bernard Kelly, Thomas H. Haskell, R. A. Randlett, A. J. Kane, S. W. Packer and D. C. Tillotson.

There will be another meeting at the same place Friday evening when the arrangements will be completed.

A THING OF BEAUTY.

A Remarkably Handsome Onyx and Ebony Table at Col. Holliday's Home.

Among Topeka people there are some who collect rare old bric-a-brac. There is in this city one piece of furniture more worthy of mention than are, perhaps, all the others put together. It is a massive and rarely beautiful onyx table, with an onyx slab surmounting it as a top or setting. This slab is one that Col. C. K. Holliday found in Chicago and ordered it for the purpose which it now serves.

Upon being cut the onyx showed such unexpected beauty of coloring and pattern that the dealer tried to buy it back, but Colonel Holliday refused his offer and carried off the prize. It was his own idea to have the upper surface cut with a beveled edge and the slab put on the table raised above the surface, as the setting on a ring is done. To this fact the stone owes much of the clearness and beautiful coloring which at once attracts all who see it.

Beautiful as the stone itself and, perhaps, more rare is its exquisite setting, which Colonel Holliday had made to order in Boston after the onyx top had served some time on a table of comparatively ordinary material.

This is a heavy, exquisitely hand-carved table of ebony. Around the stone is a carved border in conventional design, then comes a wreath of holly leaves and berries carved around, just at the edge. The legs are four wonderfully wrought griffin in ebony, while immediately under the center is an upright pillar of the same material.

Aside from its rarity there is much to delight the eye of the artist in this piece of furniture.

SNAP SHOTS AT HOME NEWS.

There's many a head that is aching today; There's many a stomach feels tight; There's many a foot that is weary and worn; And many a heart that is sad.

But of all the sorrows that is hardest to bear, Is the pocketbook bearing its burden of care.

ST. JOHNS COLLEGE FOOT.

Johnny Collingsworth wears a sick hat in Kansas City.

It got a little cooler just to make it feel natural for Christmas.

Communion services were held at Grace cathedral today.

The town is rapidly filling up with pretty Kansas school ma'ams.

Mrs. Adeline G. Williams has been adjudged insane and taken to the asylum.

The new year comes in sadly to the man with a pass. It expires with the year.

There were a good many drunk people around Christmas who didn't get into the police court.

The members of the state university alumni will meet at the Tarop, Thursday evening.

No one has yet been appointed in place of Dr. Alexander on the local board of pension examiners.

State Auditor Prather will resume farming in Cherokee county after his successor is installed.

Charles Magg, a long distance bicycle rider was the guest of the Topeka Athletic club yesterday.

It is so nice to get back to Topeka after you have visited Leavenworth and Atchison and Kansas City.

The man who prepared the menus at Topeka's small hotels yesterday, evidently had been reading *Trinity*.

The fire department was called to Quency and Twelfth streets last night when a chimney was burning out.

A large number of good scores were made in the bowling tournament which closed last night at the Athletic club.

Mrs. Thorpe had a merry Christmas. She distributed considerable food and clothing yesterday among the poor.

About one hundred Topeka Knights Templar attended the Christmas services in the Masonic temple yesterday morning.

G. G. Burton, who lives at 701 Madison street, was thrown from a horse yesterday and his right arm was broken above the elbow.

It is said that S. M. Scott intends to resign his place on the board of public works as soon as the new administration is installed.

An application has been made to the state board of pardons for the release of

Willis Jackson, who was convicted of killing a man near Wellington early in 1873.

Ed. P. Taylor, formerly of Topeka, was killed in St. Louis this week, having been run over in the Washburn yards at that place. In Topeka Mr. Taylor was in the Santa Fe office.

Rev. J. W. Bailey, of Potwin, father of Coroner Bailey, has been appointed administrator of Mrs. A. D. Matson's estate by Probate Judge Elliott by the consent of all the parties interested.

The people on South Harrison street say they have sufficient evidence that a woman is connected with the thieving going on there. The ragged places are left on the clothes lines and the good ones taken.

The First Baptist church held its Christmas exercises last night. The event included a number of pretty tableaux, a dialogue, character sketch, recitations and music. Many contributions were brought for the poor.

The prisoners at the county jail had a nice Christmas dinner that consisted of turkey, cranberry sauce, chicken with oyster dressing, sweet potatoes, coffee and nuts. The prisoners at the city jail ate their regular bread and cold potatoes for their Christmas.

SWEET BELLS OUT OF TUNE

Fair Amateurs at Denver Want to Hold Fair at Topeka.

From the Denver Republican, Dec. 22.

That aggregation of local amateur histrionic talent known as the Denver Comic Opera company is at odds with the management of the Curtis Street theater, and the courts have been invoked to settle the trouble. The company organized some weeks ago, and after a season of faithful elocutionary training in the DeLaartean school, some musical training and a number of rehearsals, the members decided to take the road.

They opened on December 9 at the Curtis Street theater in "Les Cloches de Corneville," and for a week the bells chimed to varied audiences. The actors say they were each promised \$15 for the week's performance by the management, but when the term closed, received instead the munificent sum of \$1.50 apiece.

Comic opera at \$1.50 per week the actors and actresses regarded as preposterous, and they went after L. M. Crawford, treasurer of the house, for the unpaid salaries. Actress Helen E. Croeland-Dascombe took the initiative by attaching the box receipts on the night of December 13, and Constable Lawson served the writ. He found \$11.50 in the treasurer's hands, and although Mrs. Dascombe's claim amounted to \$13.50, he seized that humble sum, hoping to do better next time.

The suit on the attachment was called yesterday in Justice Harper's court, but was continued to December 26. Other members of the Denver Comic Opera company threaten to attach the theater properties for the unpaid salaries they claim the management owes them.

ALONE IN THE BREACH.

John G. Moore to Battle Single Handed Against the Income Tax.

New York, Dec. 26.—John G. Moore says of the reports that he represents a syndicate in his efforts to have the income tax declared unconstitutional: "I have been at work on this matter for several months and decided that I would fight the law as an individual and as a personal matter."

"Since the matter became public a number of gentlemen have asked to come in, but I have told them, as I tell you, that nobody can come in, as it is my personal luxury and will be maintained as such. There is no syndicate in the matter and no individual except myself. Under every circumstance the case will be continued, as my personal act."

BIG LINERS MUST CHANGE.

Atlantic Steamships May Not Be Allowed To Take the Shortest Route.

PARIS, Dec. 26.—The *Figaro* today recommends an international convention to forbid Atlantic steamships from crossing the Banks of Newfoundland during the fishing season, with the view of preventing collisions.

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STATE'S EDUCATORS.

Complete Programme of the Whole Session.

WHO WILL READ THE PAPERS

And Who Will Take Part in the Discussions—Interesting Papers.

The thirty-second annual meeting of the Kansas State Teachers' association will hold its opening session at Representative hall this evening. The meeting will extend through Thursday and Friday.

All the general meetings are to be held in Representative hall. The special evening lectures by President Draper and Robert McIntyre on Tuesday and Friday evenings will be given in the assembly room of the high school building.

The district and graded school section will meet in Representative hall Thursday and Friday from 2 to 4 p. m.

The primary and kindergarten section will meet in the library room of the high school building Thursday and Friday, between 2 and 4 p. m.

The college and high school section will meet in the high school assembly room Thursday and Friday from 2 to 4 p. m.

The department of county superintendents will meet in the senate chamber on Thursday and Friday from 2 to 4 p. m.

The round tables will be held Thursday at 4 p. m. in the high school building. The city superintendents will meet in the superintendent's grade room; high school principals in room N-1; history and sociology in library room.

Officers—President, Supt. Wm. M. Davidson, Topeka; vice president, Supt. Geo. W. Jones, Mound City; secretary, Miss Frances E. Katter, superintendent of Doniphan county; treasurer, Supt. J. W. Spitzer, Mound City.

Sections—Primary and kindergarten: President, Mrs. Lillian H. Pickens, Iola. District and graded schools: Supt. J. C. Gray, Abilene. College and high school: Prim. W. A. Evans, Leavenworth high school. County superintendents: H. N. Gaines, state superintendent. City superintendents: Supt. Wm. Richardson, Wichita. High school principals: Prin. D. M. Bowen, Fort Scott high school. History and sociology: Prof. F. W. Blackmar, University of Kansas.

Evening Meetings. Wednesday evening—Music. Invocation, Rev. Dr. Embree. Music. Address of welcome, Hon. C. S. Gled, Topeka. Response, Miss Helen Eacker, Delphos. Music. President's address, W. M. Davidson, Topeka. Announcement of committees. Social.

Thursday evening—Lecture, "The spirit of the teacher," Hon. A. S. Draper, president State University of Illinois. Friday evening—Lecture, "The evolution of Abraham Lincoln," Rev. Robert McIntyre, Denver, Colo. Awarding of flag and library.

General Meetings. Thursday morning—"Schools of Germany," J. N. Wilkinson, Emporia; "Schools of Scotland," John MacDonald, Topeka; "Schools by One who has not been abroad," A. S. Gled, Lawrence. Discussion: E. B. Smith, Great Bend; Anna L. Carl, Lyons; D. E. Sanders, Ft. Scott. Business, 11:30 to 12.

Friday morning—"Unworthy aims and inferior and vicious motives and incentives to scholarship and right conduct," Olin Temple, Lawrence. Discussion: "Algebra and Geometry," Fairchild, Manhattan; Miss M. E. Dolphin, Leavenworth. "The American inclination to novelty, as manifested in the teaching profession," Guy P. Benton, Fort Scott. Discussion: Mrs. Clara H. Hazelrigg, El Dorado; C. C. Cormack, Kinsley. Report of committee on accreditation, A. R. Taylor, chairman, Emporia. Business 11:30 to 12.

Section Meetings—Primary and Kindergarten Section. Miss Lillian H. Pickens, president of this section.

Thursday afternoon—Language: Paper, Miss Daisy Ferguson, Emporia; illustrated talk, Miss L. A. Mitchell, Emporia; Class drill, Miss Madge Moore, Topeka. General discussion. Reading and spelling: Paper, Miss Mary Chanceller, Paola; illustrated talk, Miss Abbie C. Knaus, Lyons; Class drill, Miss Anne Monteith, Topeka. General discussion. Number: Paper, Miss Lizzie E. Ryan, Leavenworth; illustrated talk, Miss Della Spaulding, Wathena; Class drill, Mrs. S. C. Hoxie, Topeka. General discussion.

Friday afternoon—Kindergarten hour: "What may the public schools do with kindergarten work?" Miss Ivy Tatham, Paola; "Little devices to put freshness and life into the work," Mrs. Mary Stone Gregory, Topeka. Busy work: Miss Ruth Garrett, Leavenworth; Miss Lizzie Wooster, Salina; Miss Libbie Burbank, Leavenworth. Science in the primary

school: Miss Anna H. Egan, Fort Scott; Miss Florence I. Powell, Fort Scott. Questions and suggestions: Drawing: means and methods, verbal penmanship; ruled slates; Length of sessions in the primary school.

District and Graded School Section. J. C. Gray, of Abilene, is president of this section.

Thursday afternoon—Paper, W. G. Riste, Phillipsburg. Discussion: P. E. Yount, Eureka; L. H. Wishard, Solomon; R. T. Halsey, Ellsworth. "Art education in the public schools," H. Winsor, Sterling. Discussion: J. C. Gibney, Peabody; Mrs. M. M. Carson, Clay Center. "Educational progress among the colored people," B. K. Bruce, Leavenworth. Discussion: S. G. Watkins, Topeka.

Friday afternoon—"How may teachers best direct the pupil's reading?" Mrs. Esther H. Richardson, Hutchinson. Discussion: Miss Anna Murphy, Topeka. "Culture the basis of expression," F. P. Cleaves, Topeka. Discussion: Wm. Atwater, Chapman; Mrs. M. E. Clark, Parsons; S. Z. Sharp, McPherson. "United States history in the common schools," L. E. Tupper, Hlawatha. Discussion: W. H. Olin, Osborne; W. T. Clark, La Crosse.

College and High School Section. Thursday afternoon—"How to get best results from use of library," L. D. Whittemore, Topeka. Discussion: Miss Carrie Watson, Lawrence. "Home-made apparatus for the laboratory," F. H. Ayres, Topeka. Discussion: L. L. Hanks, Kansas City; A. B. Carney, Concordia.

Friday afternoon—Report of committee on English, Prof. E. M. Hopkins, Lawrence. General discussion: "Literature in the public schools," Miss Adelaide L. Dicklow, Ottawa. Discussion: E. W. Myler, Baldwin; Martha Thompson, Abilene; D. M. Bowen, Fort Scott.

Department of County Superintendents. Thursday afternoon, December 27.—President, Hon. H. N. Gaines, state superintendent. Roll call—The most pleasant phase of my work, experienced or anticipated. Paper, "The ideal Kansas county superintendent," D. F. Shirk, Abilene. Discussion: Oscar Longenecker, Paola; Mrs. Doris Bollen, Kingman; J. H. Ewbank, Holton; Louis Scott, Marysville.

Paper, "Method of securing prompt and accurate reports from district officers," Miss Catherine Harkness, Ness City. Discussion: E. L. Glasgow, Belleville; L. L. Comfort, Pottawatomie; E. R. Bonnell, St. John; J. W. Armstrong, Salina. Paper, "District ownership of textbooks," S. B. Gebhart, Paola. Discussion: C. C. Catter, Alma; Frank H. Baker, Norton; J. M. Morrison, Ottawa; H. H. Jones, Iola.

Friday afternoon—Paper, "Above or beyond necessary details, what?" Irvin Stanley, Beloit. Discussion: L. L. Knowles, Marion; Horace Truman, Lincoln; Miss Anna Keller, Independence; C. G. Swingle, Manhattan. Pictographic exhibition of practical lessons in arithmetic, Mr. Hisey, Kansas City. Topics for general discussion: Value of superintendent's visits; leader, Miss Emma McClure, Oberlin. Brief schemes for teachers' meetings; leader, Mrs. Clara Hazelrigg, El Dorado. Needed changes in our school laws; leader, D. M. Barkley, Howard. District library; leader, E. E. Trower, Leavenworth. The reading circle; leader, Mrs. Fannie Reid-Susser, Kansas City. Address by State Superintendent H. N. Gaines. Address by State Superintendent elect E. Stanley, Atchison.

Round Tables.—Thursday Afternoon. City Superintendents.—Wm. Richardson, Wichita, leader. "Algebra and Geometry below the high school" Discussion, led by J. G. Schofield, Seneca. "How may a corps of teachers be kept abreast of educational progress?" Discussion, led by Superintendent Glotfelter, Atchison.

High School Principals.—D. M. Bowen, Fort Scott, leader. General discussion of following topics: Commencement exercises; class records—how kept; absence and tardiness; length of session; mathematics, an in four year course; "Three or four studies at a time—which?" Admission requirements; History in the high school—how much? Qualifications of high school teachers; Literary exercises.

History and Sociology.—Prof. F. W. Blackmar, Lawrence, leader. General discussion of following topics: How is it possible to give more thorough instruction in history in the grammar schools and the high schools of Kansas? To what extent should political economy be taught in the high school? How may the elements of civil government be taught in the grammar grades? What should be the nature and scope of instruction in civil government in the high school?

For Over Fifty Years Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup has been used for teething. It soothes, softens the gums, allays pain, cures colic. Best remedy for diarrhoea. 25 cents a bottle.

MAGICIAN HERMANN MAD.

He Brings Suit For Libel Against a New York Publication.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Herrmann, the magician, has instructed his attorney in New York to bring suit against a theatrical publication in that city for \$50,000 damages, and the chances of recovering the amount seem as favorable to him as the opportunity of finding a live rabbit in the silk hat that he borrows of a respectable old gentleman in the parquet circle.

While in Louisville last week Herrmann was surprised to receive a telegram from his manager in this city calling his attention to the New York Standard of December 19, and advising him to bring proceedings against that publication. The telegram was inspired by an article in the Standard which stated that Herrmann and his wife had been mixed up in a disgraceful brawl while filling an engagement in Indianapolis. Mrs. Herrmann was described in the story as being drunk on the stage, and the details were given of an encounter between husband and wife after the performance, during which she was alleged to have struck him in the face with a bottle.

The story was embellished with portraits of Herrmann and his wife, the mistakes of the New York paper consisted in publishing a story of the experience of another magician and his wife in Indianapolis and giving the names of Herrmann and his wife as the principals.

NOW FOR THE "SKATCYCLE."

It Goes on Ice at the Rate of a Mile a Minute.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—John S. Johnson, the cyclist, has gone back to work as champion skater, and circulating the rumor that he is at work on a combination of skate and bicycle, which he thinks is likely to go a mile under one minute.

Both the tandem and the single machine will be fitted with long, steel skate runners in front and a clay attachment to the rear wheel. The tandem will be geared to 100 inches and the single machine to about eighty inches, as against the sixty-eight or seventy to which most track cyclists are accustomed.

The national skating championship will be held at Orange Lake, N. J., on Jan. 19.

GREASER BOGUS COIN.

Over a Hundred Counterfeiters at Work in the City of Mexico.

CITY OF MEXICO, Dec. 26.—The authorities who are looking after counterfeiters in this city have made some startling discoveries.

It is evident there is an organized colony of over 100 people scattered about the city making and circulating the spurious coin. Thousands of dollars have been successfully "shaved" within the past few weeks.

Arrests of members of the band have been made almost daily until there are now twenty-eight of them in prison awaiting trial. The work will continue, despite this wholesale arrest of offenders.

WHISTLING FOR HELP.

Something the Matter With a San Francisco Steamer Near Polaris Eye.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 26.—The steamer *Columbia* which left this port yesterday for Astoria and Portland with twenty passengers and an assorted cargo was discovered lying off Point Reyes in the Pacific.

Train. [No] L's Topeka water front and blowing her whistles continuously.

Edosh Funeral Notice.

Sir Knights of Godfrey de St. Omar Council No. 2, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite are earnestly requested to attend a special meeting of the council this (Wednesday) evening at Masonic hall at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of completing arrangements for the midnight funeral services over the remains of our deceased brother Frank Drummond.